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Brian C. McNeil Executive Secretary Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 West Washington Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re:

The Cooperatives' meeting with the Commissioners to discuss the

Standardization of Electric Competition in Arizona

Docket No. RE-00000C-00-0275.

Dear Mr. McNeil:

Thank you for facilitating the August 9, 2000 individual meetings between Arizona's Rural Electric Cooperatives and Chairman Carl J. Kunasek, Commissioner Jim Irvin, and Commissioner William A. Mundell. The Cooperatives understand that the Commissioners have busy schedules and arranging these meetings was not an easy logistical undertaking.

The Cooperatives were pleased that because of these meetings, the Cooperatives had the opportunity to inform the Commissioners as to the unique circumstances faced by the Rural Cooperatives and how the introduction of electric competition fits, and does not fit, with the Rural Cooperative model.

Very truly yours,

Paul R. Michaud For the Firm

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